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Dear year 11 parent/carer,

I have been receiving some messages and phone calls from year 11 parents at Etonbury. We welcome these emails and phone calls and I thought I would send a communication to you outlining a few key dates and times. I have already visited the year 11s and spoken to them all in an assembly to introduce the sixth form and it was great to meet the year 11s.

Key dates:

- 1) **1<sup>st</sup> November 2018** - The sixth form team at Samuel Whitbread will be present at the Etonbury careers fair. Students will be able to meet with us and ask questions about options and entry requirements in the sixth form at Samuel Whitbread Academy.
- 2) **20<sup>th</sup> November 2018** - Sixth Form open evening. This coincides with our year 11 parents' afternoon and a careers fair at SWA. There will be three presentation slots where I will be presenting in the theatre to all students and parents. In the main hall there will be stalls run by the Heads of Department and sixth form student subject ambassadors. Visitors can speak with the course leaders and students to get a feel for the courses we offer in the sixth form. As Etonbury students and parents may have never seen the school site before, sixth form student guides will be available to give you a tour of the building if you request this on the night. Further communication regarding the sixth form open evening will begin at half term and we use Facebook to publicise this. I will ask Ms Roe, the Head of Year 11 at Etonbury, to pass on the advert for the open evening as well.

As you will see and hear from the open evening on 20<sup>th</sup> November, deadlines for application forms to be received by the sixth form office will be Friday 14<sup>th</sup> December 2018. We will then make arrangements with Etonbury to interview every applicant and parents can attend these interviews if they wish to do so. A time slot will be given for this interview.

In the meantime, if you would like to get a feel for our sixth form please take a look at this page on the school website: <https://www.samuelwhitbread.org.uk/sixth-form/>. This still has the old application form and prospectus on there and this will be updated ready for after half term but I thought you may want to take a look to get an idea of what is offered and the entry requirements to get into the sixth form.

We look forward to seeing your son/daughter on the 1<sup>st</sup> November at Etonbury and then at the sixth form open evening on 20<sup>th</sup> November.

Kind regards

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